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For: Immunoassay Reagents And Immunoassay Method

AMENDMENT

**NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the official Office Action mailed February 27, 2002, in the matter of the above-identified application, kindly amend the same as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel Claims 6 and 13 and rewrite Claims 1, 2, and 3 as follows:

Please substitute the following amended Claims 1, 2 and 3 for the previously amended Claims 1, 2 and 3 as follows:

1. (Fourth Amended) An immunoassay reagent for use in a quantitative determination of a target antigen or antibody present in a sample, said reagent consisting essentially of the following components:

(a) an insoluble carrier which carries and is coupled to an enzyme and an antibody or antigen reactive with said target antigen or antibody, said insoluble carrier comprising at least one selected from the group consisting of an organic polymer powder

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TRANSMITTED HERewith IS AN ☒ AMENDMENT, ☐ REPLY, ☐ AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION IN THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION.

☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☒ No additional fee is required.

THE FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

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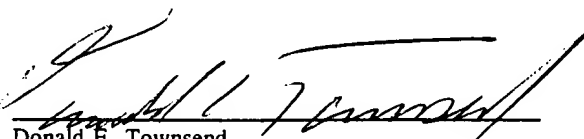
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- ☒ Any additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.  
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